

REPORT SUBMITTED TO  
MR. BOWENLibrarian of Public Library  
Shows Greater Number of  
Books Are Read.FUNDS ARE INADEQUATE  
TO INCREASE FACILITIESInstitution Faces in Coming Year  
Still Greater Work With Insufficient Staff and Funds.

Either actual or proportionate increase in the public service rendered to the people of the National Capital and its surrounding territory through nearly every department of the Public Library of Washington, is shown in the annual report of Dr. George F. Bowerman, the librarian, for the fiscal year ended June 30 last, just submitted to the District Commissioners through the library trustees.

This document, which covers the eleventh year of Dr. Bowerman's incumbency, further points out to the library trustees that this increase has come about in the face of inadequate congressional support and lack of many needed facilities, and that the institution faces the coming year, which is almost sure to show a still further increase in its work, with no increase in staff or in funds for the purchase of books.

Among the many points touched upon by Dr. Bowerman are an increase in home circulation of books of no less than 89,364 volumes; the loaning out of nearly a hundred thousand mounted pictures; a slight drop in the proportion of fiction circulated; a marked increase in the work of the children's department; the purchase of new books for the valuable service of the circulation of reading matter through social settlements, school and office book banks, and the purchase of books for the library of nearly 11,000; the purchase of a collection of books in the various Scandinavian languages, the problem of training library workers at their present inadequate salaries, and, finally, the fine spirit and general efficiency of the library staff. This last item, states Dr. Bowerman, it is impossible to emphasize too strongly.

## Increase in Circulation.

"For the year under review the congressional appropriation for maintenance was increased 11 per cent," states the librarian's report, in part, "and the number of employees was increased 5 1/2 per cent, but the work done, as measured by the home circulation of books, increased 12 1/2 per cent. Previous to last year the appropriations and staff had for a number of years remained almost stationary, but, in spite of that, the work of the library had each year shown a substantial increase. Last year's rate of increase in resources was outstripped in rate of increase of work done. The library now faces the coming year, which will almost surely show a further increase of work, with absolutely no increase in staff or in funds for the purchase of books."

"According to the United States census bureau's estimate the population of the District of Columbia is 253,679 July 1, 1915. The clientele of the library includes in addition many persons living in the suburbs and in Virginia who have regular business or employment in the District. To give even the relatively inadequate service rendered by the library, the library used last year 166 different agencies in serving its constituency. Such agencies include, wholly supported and administered by the library and certain institutions which, without expense to the library, act as its agents in the distribution of library books."

These agencies, explains the report, include branch libraries, social settlements, hospitals, government buildings, high and grammar schools, private schools, colleges, parochial schools, business houses, school playgrounds, Sunday camps, parents' associations, and other organizations. The home circulation for the year numbered 89,364 volumes, an increase of 83,664 volumes, or a 12 1/2 per cent increase over the figures of 1913-14, which were 84,924.

## Greater Number of Cardholders.

"During the past year the registration of cardholders on the part of the library was 15,712 as against 15,712 in the previous year. The total registration at the close of the year was 47,296, as against 46,554 a year ago. These figures take no account of the large number of children who secure books from the schools without formal library registration."

"It is interesting to record another drop of 1 per cent in the proportion of fiction circulated. It should also be remembered that the supply of fiction furnished has never been more generous than during the past year."

"There has been an increased use of parcel post facilities for the exchange of books. This is especially noticeable during the summer months, when many readers, absent on vacation, secure library books by this means."

"The general increase in the work of the library has nowhere been so markedly marked than in the children's department. This increase was the result of no stimulation on the part of the library, and was handled without any corresponding increase of staff."

"Although the circulation of juvenile literature by the library is now more than 300,000 volumes annually, and forms about 38 per cent of the library's total circulation, it is not yet possible only to scratch the surface of the problem. But the library's book stock in too meager; it lacks a system of branch libraries, and the system of distribution through the schools is altogether inadequate to meet the problem as it should be met. Of the 60,000 children of the District of school age, not more than 14,000 get library books through the school distribution plan. It is estimated that not more than 100,000 other children secure books from the central library, the Takoma branch, the school stations, and the system of parcel post. This means that the library fails to extend its resources to 3,000 children of school age, who are left to their own devices for books and are leaving school without ever learning to use the library."

## Use of Outside Agencies.

"Outside of the circulation of books through the school class rooms, the library utilizes three principal classes of outside agencies for book distribution, as follows: Social settlements, school stations and stations conducted in offices. These agencies circulated last year almost 50,000 volumes, of this number 54,000 volumes were distributed to readers without cost to the library except for the books and for transportation. Here is a big public service rendered without cost to the public. The library ought to have funds from which it could pay for this good and valuable service, instead of longer accepting the gratuitous service or money from organizations to pay for it."

## Patriotic Federation to Meet.

The American Federation of Patriotic Societies is to meet this evening at 7:30 o'clock at 1200 Massachusetts avenue northwest, the meeting having been postponed from Monday.

## Our 20th Anniversary Sale Joins Hands With the Regular Thursday Bargain Sale to Make Tomorrow a Day of Extraordinary Money-Saving Importance

5c Cakes of  
Shaving Soap  
2 Cakes  
5c10c Chair Seats  
With This Coupon... 5c10c Bottles of  
Ammonia, 4c

STORE HOURS: Open 8:45 A.M.; Close 5:45 P.M.

"It Pays to Deal at Goldenberg's"  
BOTH SIDES OF SEVENTH AT K  
"The Dependable Store"

We invite you to open a "Charge Account" in our Furniture Store, "Across the Street." No interest, no "extras," to pay above our uniformly low cash prices. A new kind of credit convenience you'll like.

10c Packages of  
Tooth  
Powder, 5c45c Saucepans  
With This Coupon 25c5c Packages of  
Toothpicks,  
2 for 5cNew Arrivals Added to  
the Big Sale ofWomen's Fall Suits  
Choice of Values \$15.95  
worth \$25 for \$15.95

When such splendid quality suits can be bought at such a saving no woman should hesitate to buy her new fall apparel tomorrow. To the special purchase made last week we've added a new lot of garments just received from one of New York's foremost makers, thus giving you a wide selection of the season's choicest styles at the lowest price named this season for such High-class Suits.

All the smartest models represented in the collection, including the fashionable Fur-trimmed Suits, as well as plain tailored effects. These are

**Fur-trimmed Broadcloth Suits.**  
**Fur-trimmed Poplin Suits.**  
**Tailored Gabardine Suits.**  
**Trimmed Whipped Suits.**  
**New Plaided Serge Suits.**

Shown in a number of becoming styles, including Box Coat, Military, Norfolk, Russian Blouse, Tailleur and chic trimmed effects.

All sizes for women and misses, in a complete range of the wanted shades, such as military blue, African brown, Russian green, navy blue, also black.

Exceptional Value and Correct  
Style Are Closely Linked  
in These

Draped Velvet Turbans

\$5.00 Values  
at \$3.29

Draped Velvet Turbans are enjoying a great vogue this season—they are quite the smartest and most becoming hats a woman could wish to wear. The styles offered in tomorrow's sale are particularly good and will be sure to please those who want serviceable and stylish millinery at moderate cost.

These Draped Turbans are made of genuine Lyons velvet, and come in black, navy, brown, cerise, purple and red. They are self-trimmed, and some are cleverly draped to form side bow or back trimming; others have long ends of the same material that forms the body of the hat. The secret of their style and smartness is the clever way in which they are designed.

See this line of regular \$5.00 Hats tomorrow at \$3.29.

Wind-Up of the Sale of  
Women's High Shoes  
With choice offered of usual \$1.69  
\$3 and \$3.50 grades at... \$1.69

The next few days will see the end of this great money-saving event, the distribution of a maker's surplus lots and discontinued styles of Women's Fine Shoes at \$1.69 a pair. Economy-wise women should come tomorrow and take advantage of the opportunity to buy new footwear for fall and winter at much below regular cost—such exceptional values are not likely to be offered again.

Butt, lace and blucher styles in shoes of patent colt, gun metal, vici kid and tan leathers.

High or low heels, hand sewed or hand turned soles. All sizes in the lot from 2 1/2 to 7. Good, serviceable qualities and style styles worth every penny of their regular prices, which were \$3.00 and \$3.50. Tomorrow at \$1.69 pair.

A Host of Charming Styles in  
New Fall Waists  
At \$1.98 Values that will delight critical buyers

Brand-new styles, the prettiest evolved for this season's wear, are here for your choosing in tomorrow's special sale—priced far lower than you would believe waists of like value could be marked. Distinct innovations and smart creations shown in the following materials:

Georgette Crepe Waists.  
Crepe de Chine Waists.  
Chiffon Taffeta Waists.

The collection includes smart tucked styles, lace-trimmed designs and clever Tailored Waists, the New Military Waists, smocked styles and dainty embroidered effects. All with the new "High-Low" collars and long sleeves. Choice of the leading autumn shades; in all sizes from 34 to 46.



Thursday's Luncheon, 20c  
Home Made Vegetable Soup,  
Bread and Butter, Coffee and  
Fruit. Cafe—Second Floor.

Infants' Cloaks \$2.98  
Special at...  
Infants' Long Cloaks, of wool  
cashmere, made with circular  
cap, lined with silk, braided  
turn-up cuffs; lined with good  
quality satin; warmly interlined.  
well made.

Infants' Bonnets 49c  
Special at...  
Infants' Bonnets, of white silk  
poplin and messaline, in a good  
assortment of pretty styles, including  
trimmed with ribbon bows and  
lace edgings; wide tie strings; size  
12 to 16 inches.

Girls' Dresses \$1.49  
Regularly \$2.00  
Little Girls' Woolen Dresses,  
navy blue serge, with loose belts,  
sound collars and plaited skirts;  
finished with deep hems; neatly  
piped and finished with fancy but-  
tons; sizes 3 to 6 years.

Children's  
Night Drawers 49c  
Special at...  
Children's "Flannellette" Night  
Drawers, heavy fleeced grade, in  
plain white and assorted stripes;  
with and without feet, button back  
and drop seat; long elastic belts  
and pockets; sizes 2 to 10 years.

Rompers 49c  
Special at...  
Children's Rompers and Creepers,  
of heavy flannellette, in plain white  
and striped and checked effects;  
with yoke, others with V  
necks, long sleeves, long elastic  
belts; elastic at knee; sizes up  
to 6 years.

Women's  
Sweaters \$1.98  
Regularly \$2.50  
Women's All-wool Coat Sweaters,  
plain and fancy weaves, in red,  
navy blue, white, tan and oxford  
blue; made with shawl collars, pocket  
and bone buttons; sizes 36 to 44.

Women's  
Nightgowns 49c  
Special at...  
Women's Flannellette Nightgowns,  
silk heavy-fleeced grade, assorted  
stripes, with and without collars,  
double yoke, cuff sleeves, finish,  
trimmed with braid; full cut sizes.

Bleached Cotton 64c  
Regularly 10c  
36-100 Bleached Cotton, a  
fine close-woven grade, free from  
dressing.

Pillowcases 94c  
Regularly 12 1/2c  
45x36 Bleached Pillowcases, large  
size; linen finish grade.

Unbleached  
Sheeting 94c  
Regularly 12 1/2c  
Heavy weight sheeting, a  
heavy round thread quality, for  
making sheets and pillowcases.

Bleached Sheets 38c  
Regularly 50c  
Bleached Sheets, double-bed size;  
with seam in center; hand torn and  
torn.

Women's Hose 15c  
Regularly 25c  
Women's Medium-weight Cotton  
Hose, seamless foot, double-sole,  
heel and toe; ribbed or ribbed  
toes; black and colors.

Outing Flannels 64c  
Regularly 10c  
27-inch Outing Flannels, heavy  
fleece quality in stripes and  
checks.

Outing Flannel 94c  
Regularly 12 1/2c  
27-inch White Daily Outing Flannel,  
a close-woven heavy fleeced  
quality.

Percales 94c  
Regularly 12 1/2c  
36-100 Percales, light grounds,  
with neat colored stripes, checks,  
dots and figures.

White Crepe 94c  
Regularly 12 1/2c  
36-100 White Plisse Crepe, a fine  
soft finish quality for undergar-  
ments.

White Madras 12 1/2c  
Regularly 25c  
32-inch White Shirting Madras,  
with white woven stripes; for  
making men's and boys' shirts.

India Linon 94c  
Regularly 15c  
40-inch White India Linon, extra  
fine sheer quality, snow white  
bleached.

Cannon Cloth 94c  
Regularly 15c  
34-inch White Cannon Cloth, a  
heavy linen-finish quality.

Unitee Suits 49c  
Special at...  
Children's Unitee Suits, heavy  
fleece cotton; high neck and long  
sleeves, ankle pants; drop seat; finished  
with double rows of buttons;  
correct styles in two and three button  
models, with patch pockets or plain.

Men's Merino  
Underwear 59c  
Regularly \$1.00  
Men's Norfolk and New Brunswick  
Merino Underwear, medium  
weight; in white and natural gray;  
all garments finished with Norfolk  
and New Brunswick patented flat  
lock seams.

Men's Underwear 39c  
Regularly 75c  
Men's Medium-weight Balbriggan  
Underwear, garments made in  
Copper's spring needle machines;  
shirts and drawers to match; all  
regular sizes.

Men's Underwear 69c  
Regularly \$1.00  
Men's Wright's Health Under-  
wear, made with pure lambs wool  
fleece, in ecru and gray colors.

Men's Half Hose 14c  
Regularly 25c  
Men's Silk Lisle Half Hose, plain  
black only; made with double in-  
serted heel and toe; subject to  
slight imperfections.

Velvet Rugs \$11.85  
Regularly \$15.00  
9x12 Seamless Velvet Rugs, in  
oriental, medallion and conven-  
tional designs; colorings to suit  
any room decoration. All strictly  
perfect.

Brussels Rugs \$7.65  
Regularly \$12.50  
7-foot 6x9 foot Seamless Brussels  
Rugs, all-wool grade; in floral, med-  
allion and conventional designs.  
Best colorings. Correct size apart-  
ment houses and small rooms.

Crochet Spreads 89c  
Regularly \$1.25  
Crochet Bed Spreads, double-bed  
size, in Marcelline designs.

Men's and Young Men's \$12 and \$13.50  
FALL SUITS  
In a Rousing  
Thursday Sale at \$8.25

It is unusual to find such Splendid Quality Suits selling at this low price right at the season's start—and men who want to "dress up" for the fall and winter should not miss the chance to buy new clothes at the little price named for tomorrow's sale.

They are Well Tailored, Perfect-fitting Suits of worsteds, chevots and cassimeres, in neat dark overplaids, mixtures and checks; this season's correct styles in two and three button models, with patch pockets or plain.

Sizes for young men 16 to 20 years and for men 34 to 42. Exceptional values at \$8.25.

Men's and Young Men's Overcoats, in the very latest models for fall and winter. Balmain and form-fitting coats, in single or double-breasted styles; choice of a good assortment of materials. Young men's sizes, 16 to 20 years; men's sizes, 34 to 44. Regular \$12.50 to \$15.00 values at \$9.50.

Men's Separate Pants, of good, serviceable quality cassimeres, in a variety of neat patterns. Well tailored and perfect fitting. Sizes 30 to 42. Regular price, \$2.69 pair. Special at \$1.79.

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Women's  
Union Suits 69c  
Regularly \$1.00  
Women's Heavy Fleece Cotton Union  
Suits, high neck and long sleeves,  
ankle pants; crocheted necks and  
silk taped.

Misses' Union Suits 49c  
Special at...  
Misses' Fleece Cotton Union  
Suits, high neck and long sleeves,  
ankle pants; crocheted necks and  
silk taped.

Boys' Union Suits 50c  
Special at...  
Boys' Heavy Fleece Cotton Union  
Suits, high neck and long sleeves,  
ankle pants; crocheted necks and  
silk taped.

Silver Thimbles 9c  
Regularly 10c  
Sterling Silver Thimbles, all  
sizes; well made, durable quality.  
(Jewelry Dept.)

Pin Sets 12c  
Regularly 25c  
Gold-filled Beauty Pin Sets, or  
collar pin sets; three in set; neat  
dainty patterns, wear guaranteed;  
black and white stone set patterns.

Machine Cotton 5c  
Regular 3c spools, 3 for...  
Brooks' Machine Cotton, 100-  
yard spools, white or black.

Darning Cotton 5c  
Regular 3c spools, 3 for...  
Clark's O. N. T. Darning Cotton,  
white, black and colors; sold regu-  
larly at 3c spools.

Sewing Silk 12c  
Regularly 20c  
400-yard Spools of Good Quality  
Black Sewing Silk, sold regularly  
at 20c.

Hose Supporters 10c  
Regularly up to 25c...  
Women's, Misses and Children's  
Silk Hose Supporters, pin-on style;  
good quality silk elastic webbing;  
black and colors.

Handkerchiefs 5c  
Special at...  
Women's and Misses' Pure Linen  
Initial Handkerchiefs, good qual-  
ity, soft finish sheer linen; neatly  
hemstitched; dainty embroidered  
initials.

White Huck 5 1/2c  
Regularly 12 1/2c yard...  
Mill Lengths All-white Huck, for  
towels and fancy work; plain and  
fancy weaves; lengths from 1 1/2 to  
10 yards.

Gabardine 39c  
Regularly 50c  
36-inch Satin-face Gabardine,  
high lustrous quality, in black and  
a full assortment of colors.

Storm Serge 69c  
Regularly 80c  
45-inch All-wool Storm Serge,  
sponged and shrunk, a heavy good  
twill quality, in blue, black, brown,  
garnet and Russian green.

Cloth Suiting 39c  
Regularly 60c  
45-inch Cloth Suits, a good  
weight for suits and dresses; in  
black and colors.

Ratine Eponge 59c  
Regularly \$1.00  
54-inch Ratine Eponge, a stylish  
fabric for fall and winter wear; in  
plum, Belgian blue, brown and  
Russian green.

Lace Curtains \$1.29  
Regularly \$2 and \$2.50  
Cable Net and Nottingham Lace  
Curtains, white and ecru colors; 3  
and 3 1/2 yards long, full widths;  
in plain, novelty effect and heav-  
ily worked designs.

Curtain Scrims 8 1/2c  
Regularly 15c  
36-inch Curtain Scrims, in floral  
and Persian designs, figured all-  
over and border effects, in pink,  
blue, gold and green. Suitable for  
curtains, scarfs and draperies.

Couch Covers 79c  
Regularly \$1.25  
Oriental Stripe Tapestry Couch  
Covers, 50 inches wide, 3 yards  
long; fringed sides and ends; re-  
versible and durable. Best color  
combinations.

Clothes  
Wringers \$2.69  
Special at...  
Extra Quality Crescent Steel  
Frame Clothes Wringers, with  
guaranteed rubber rollers.

Stepadders  
Regularly 55c  
Extra Quality Stepadders, with  
guaranteed rubber rollers.

Wash Boilers 98c  
Special at...  
Extra Quality Tin Wash Boilers,  
with copper bottoms and cold water  
handles; strongly made. No. 1

China Slop Jars 29c  
Regularly 50c  
22x30 China Slop Jars, with cover  
and bail handle; full size.

Sweeping Brushes 49c  
Regularly 90c  
Floor Sweeping Brushes, with  
long handles; assorted styles and  
sizes.

Blankets \$1.10  
Regularly \$2.00  
22x50 and 60x90 Largest Double-  
bed Size Blankets, in tan and gray,  
with soft shades of pink and blue  
borders; wool-finished fleece.

Seco Silks 19c  
Regularly 30c  
Linen fabric, having the appear-  
ance of all silk; plain and dotted  
weaves; made with byron collars,  
and evening shades.

White Pique 19c  
Regularly 30c  
36-inch White Pique, a heavy,  
raised-weave quality.

Children's  
Sweaters 98c  
Regularly \$1.50  
Children's Wool Sweaters, in ox-  
ford, navy, tan and red; plain  
weaves, made with byron collars,  
pockets and finished with bone  
buttons; sizes up to 12 years.

Children's Hats 98c  
Special at...  
Children's Hats, of corduroy and  
velvet, in white, navy blue, brown,  
green and black. Daintily trim-  
med with silk ribbon and flowers;  
good assortment of becoming  
shapes for children up to 6 years  
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